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SUBJECT: USRP EX-USSR PROGRAM - FUNDING FOR CY 1976

1. PUBLIC LAW 94-41 (CONTINUING RESOLUTION) PROVIDES THAT ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM THE SOVIET UNION SHALL BE FUNDED AT NOT TO EXCEED AN ANNUAL RATE FOR OBLIGATIONS OF TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS. WITH NOT LESS THAN SIXTEEN MILLION DOLLARS OF THIS AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR USE IN RESETTLEMENT OF SOVIET REFUGEES IN ISRAEL, A MAXIMUM OF FOUR MILLION DOLLARS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR USRP EX-USSR PROGRAM UNDER THIS APPROPRIATION.

2. A DS-150A ALLOTING GENEVA TWO MILLION DOLLARS ISSUED 1/1/76 (APPROPRIATION 1961164.2 ALLOTMENT 3278) TO FUND USRP (EX-USSR) CONTRACT(S) FOR CY 1976. IN NEGOTIATING CONTRACT(S) THERE NEEDS TO BE FULL RECOGNITION BY THE AGENCY OR AGENCIES THAT IT IS UNCERTAIN AS TO (A) WHEN DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR AN ADDITIONAL TWO MILLION DOLLARS CAN BE ALLOTTED FOR THIS PROGRAM AND (B) HOW MUCH OR WHEN
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ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE MIGHT BECOME AVAILABLE

FROM OTHER SOURCES.

3. IN VIEW OF UNCERTAIN FISCAL OUTLOOK, MISSION SHOULD CLOSELY REEXAMINE WITH VOLAGS ALL ITEMS OF EXPENSE UNDER

SUBJECT PROGRAM. PRIORITY CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THOSE ITEMS WHICH RELATE DIRECTLY TO EXPEDITIOUS RESETTLEMENT PROCESSING, MOVEMENT, AND PLACEMENT OF REFUGEES. SALARY, TRAVEL, PER DIEM AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT COSTS SHOULD BE HELD TO THE CY 1975 LEVEL AND REDUCED WHEREVER POSSIBLE.

4. TAKING ABOVE INTO ACCOUNT, MISSION SHOULD PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATION OF CONTRACT(S) ASAP. THE MISSION SHOULD MONITOR THE PROGRAM CLOSELY AND KEEP THE DEPARTMENT (D/HA ORM) WELL INFORMED. INGERSOLL

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